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1. EMBOFF MET JUNE 19 WITH SANTIAGO MEYER-PICON, DIRECTOR GENERAL FOR TECHNICAL COOPERATION IN MEXICAN FOREIGN SECRETARIAT TO DISCUSS PROXIMATE MEETING IN BRASILIA (REFTEL). TONE OF CONVERSATION WAS SET BY MEYER-PICON'S STATEMENT THAT "THIS IS THE FIRST MEETING I WILL ATTEND IN WHICH THE AGENDA HAS NOT BEEN SET AND EVEN THE FULL TITLE OF THE MEETING IS UNKNOWN." HE FURTHER STATED THAT MEXDEL WOULD HOLD PREPARATORY MEETING LATER SAME AFTERNOON; CONSEQUENTLY COMMENTS BELOW SHOULD BE REGARDED AS TENTATIVE REFLECTIONS OF MEYER-PICON'S PERSONAL VIEWS.

2. GOM CONTINUES TO REGARD ENTIRE SUBJECT OF TRANSFER OF TECHNOLOGY AS PART OF THE ONGOING DIALOGUE BETWEEN THE US ON ONE SIDE AND THE COLLECTIVE LATINS ON THE OTHER.

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HENCE, MEYER-PICON EXPRESSED HIS HOPE THAT US DEL

WOULD ADDRESS BRASILIA MEETING AT A VERY EARLY POINT TO EXPLAIN USG IDEAS. MEXICAN POSITION, LIKE THAT OF USG AS DESCRIBED IN STATE 92088, IS VERY FLEXIBLE AT THIS TIME. MEYER-PICON RAISED POSSIBILITY OF CREATING A COMMITTEE WHICH WOULD SERVE FOR A FINITE (PERHAPS 2 OR 3 YEARS' TIME) RATHER THAN INDEFINITE PERIOD.

3. INTERLOCUTOR ASSUMES THAT BRASILIA MEETING WILL CONCERN ITSELF PRIMARILY WITH PROCEDURAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE QUESTIONS -- E.G. WHETHER OR NOT TO CREATE ANOTHER BODY, AND WHAT TERMS OF REFERENCE SHOULD BE IF SUCH A GROUP IS FORMED. AT SAME TIME, THERE WILL HAVE TO BE SOME FOCUS ON SUBSTANCE. IN THIS REGARD, MEYER-PICON'S INITIAL THOUGHT IS THAT THERE SHOULD BE AT LEAST TWO SUB-GROUPS DURING BRASILIA MEETING, ONE TO WORK ON COMMERCIAL TRANSFERS OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND THE OTHER TO ADDRESS THE QUESTION OF GOVERNMENT TO GOVERNMENT PROGRAMS.

4. MEXDEL WILL BE HEADED BY DR. GERARDO BUENO ZIRION, DIRECTOR OF THE NATIONAL COUNCIL ON SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (CONACYT). MEYER-PICON WILL BE SECOND RANKING MEMBER OF DELEGATION. OTHER MEMBERS WILL BE DR. ENRIQUE MARTIN DEL CAMPO, DIRECTOR OF CENTER FOR INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION OF CONACYT; LIC. DE MARIA Y CAMPOS, DEPUTY DIRECTOR FOR REGISTRY OF TECHNOLOGY IN SECRETARIAT OF INDUSTRY AND COMMERCE; AND DR. MIGUEL WIONCZEK, POLISH-BORN ECONOMIST AT MEXICO'S NATIONAL UNIVERSITY AND FREQUENT COUNSELOR TO GOM ON SUBJECT OF TRANSFER OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY. JOVA

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